



**Contract Term:** January 1, 2013 – September 30, 2013

**M/W/DBE Participation:** Not Feasible

**Section 3:** Not Feasible/Not Applicable

### **BACKGROUND AND EXPLANATION**

In January 2010, the CHA was awarded a two year \$250,000 award from ICJIA through the Edward Byrne Recovery Act Grant Program. The purpose of the funding was to implement community based youth violence prevention through Gang Resistance Education and Training (“G.R.E.A.T.”) and the Youth Courts. The Altgeld-Riverside Community (ARC) Partnership created a community partnership and increased resident awareness of violence and burglary prevention at community schools. In 2012, CHA was invited to apply for leftover ICJIA – Byrne Recovery Act Grant Program funds to continue and enhance the ARC Partnership Program. On December 11, 2012, the CHA received official written notice of an award of \$282,200.00 from the ICJIA through the Edward Byrne Recovery Act Grant Program. CHA is required to provide matching funds of \$94,067 (mostly in-kind).

### **SUBGRANTEE SERVICES:**

**Chicago Police Department (CPD) G.R.E.A.T. program:** G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education and Training) is an evidence-based prevention program that addresses aggression, gang activity, conflict resolution and interpersonal skills issues as experienced by boys and girls aged nine to seventeen in urban settings. A family component will be delivered by uniformed CPD officers.

**The Community Justice for Youth Institute (CJYI) Peace Circles:** - a structured dialogue process that allows every participant an opportunity to speak and that encourages attentive listening and truth telling to resolve conflicts, to provide victims with opportunities to directly address those that have harmed them, and to involve the community in the process of strengthening relationships and promoting offender accountability.

**CeaseFire Chicago:** - will leverage its work in the 5th Police District and analyze crime hot spot and time-of-day data to determine when/where it will place part-time Violence Interrupters to intervene when conflicts arise.

**Uhlich Children’s Advantage Network (UCAN):** will devote .5FTE to support ARC residents to implement the safety initiatives that they identify. In addition to staff support, they will utilize their funding to provide stipends to youth to work in these resident-driven initiatives. As the CHA funded FamilyWorks agency, UCAN will leverage its capabilities to provide case management support in identifying and reaching out to appropriate families to benefit from the ARC and services made available through the grant.

**Social IMPACT Research Center (IMPACT):** - will conduct an implementation and outcomes evaluation.

### **ADDITIONAL PARTNERS/STAKEHOLDERS**

**Altgeld-Riverdale Consortium (ARC)** will serve a coordinating role, convening meetings and promoting and encouraging participation in community partner sponsored events/activities. The

ARC will engage residents to identify and carry out one or more safety initiatives as part of the ARC Enhancement. Examples include development of multiple safe passage routes or establishing Safe Zones in facilities located in the area such as the library, the health center or a school.

***Community partner agencies*** -- will plan ARC safety events to draw residents to see their facility, encourage on-going participation in their programs in coordination with the resident-planned safety measures.

***Enforcement Strategies – police and security partners:*** CHA's Director of Safety and Security and a representative from CPD District 5 will actively participate in the Consortium to ensure coordination of enforcement strategies with the ARC community revitalization initiatives.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with all applicable Chicago Housing Authority board policies and all applicable federal (HUD) procurement laws.

The EVP/ Chief Financial Officer and the EVP of Resident Services concurs with the recommendations to enter subgrantee agreements with UCAN, the Chicago Police Department, CeaseFire Chicago, Social IMPACT Research Center and Community Justice for Youth Institute

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-CHA-8**

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated February 13, 2013 entitled "RATIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE ILLINOIS STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO SUB-GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH UCAN, THE CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT, CEASEFIRE CHICAGO, SOCIAL IMPACT AND COMMUNITY JUSTICE FOR YOUTH AND INCREASE IN THE FY2013 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET";

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**THAT** the Board of Commissioners ratifies the acceptance of a grant award from the Illinois State Criminal Justice Information Authority in the amount of \$282,200 and authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into sub-grant agreements with Uhlich Children's Advantage Network, the Chicago Police Department, Ceasefire Chicago, Social IMPACT and Community Justice for Youth to provide support services in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$176,500 for the period of January 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013 and increase the FY2013 comprehensive budget.

